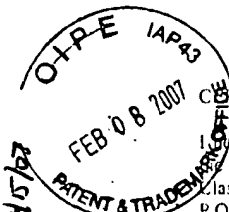


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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed November 11, 2006, please amend the above identified application as follows: